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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, AUGUST 10TH, 1910.

The contemplated visit to the Far East this winter of His Imperial Highness the Crown Prince of Germany, of which the telegrams have notified us, will naturally be anticipated with great interest and pleasure by the important German communities in the Far East. It goes without saying that His Imperial Highness will receive in his progress from port to port from all classes and all nationalities a welcome no less enthusiastic than that accorded to his popular Uncle, PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA, on the occasion of his visit to the Far East twelve years ago. The circumstances attending that visit will be well-remembered by most people who were in the East at the time. PRINCE HENRY came out in the capacity of Admiral of the German Fleet at a time when there was much talk of the partitioning of China among the Powers. Germany in reparation for the murder of two missionaries in Shanghai had seized Kiaochow, and was demanding the effective punishment of all concerned in the outrage. The occasion of the departure of PRINCE HENRY from Kiel on the battleship *Deutschland* was marked by the Kaiser instructing him to "strike with his mailed fist" in case of affront or prejudice; but happily no affront was offered, and the visit of His Imperial Highness proved to be a pleasant tour marked by every manifesta-

tion of respect and goodwill towards Germany and especially towards the person of the Prince, who, by his courtly yet simple manner and his urbanity to people of all classes and nationalities, made himself exceedingly popular wherever he went. His Imperial Highness, on the outward voyage, remained in Hongkong about five weeks as the guest of H.E. the Acting Governor, Major-General BLACK, the *Deutschland* having to go into dock for extensive repairs, and during his visit the Prince entered thoroughly into the social life of the Colony. Balls and dinners were given in his honour, and he showed his keen interest in sport by playing at the Happy Valley in two or three polo matches, as well as by leaving a cup for competition on his return home later in the year. While in the East PRINCE HENRY visited with his squadron the principal ports, including Manila, and his visit to the Imperial Palace at Peking will ever be memorable for the cordial reception given him by the EMPRESS-DOWAGER and the EMPEROR in the Imperial Palace—an event which marked the achievement of a distinct improvement in the conditions attaching to foreign intercourse with the Chinese Throne. This had been a vexed question for many years, and it had only been partly solved four years before by the French and Russian Ministers resolutely declining to be received anywhere outside the precincts of the Palace. The marked cordiality of the reception given in the Palace to PRINCE HENRY by the EMPRESS-DOWAGER as well as by the EMPEROR opened up a new era in the intercourse of China with the European Powers, and the Prince was fully entitled to the congratulations which were at the time showered upon him from all sides. His visit to the Far East proved a distinct and enduring triumph for Germany. The past twelve years have seen an enormous enhancement of German prestige in the Far East, politically and commercially, and even if we had not the authority of the Berlin Post for the statement that the coming tour of the Crown Prince will be of "eminent political significance" we can well conceive that a friendly visit to the Courts of China and Japan by the Kaiser's eldest son will not only be of extraordinary personal interest to the royal visitor, but likewise in all probability of enduring value to the great and growing interests of the nation whose Throne he will visit.

Colonel Bruce, Superintendent of the Shanghai Police, has renewed his agreement for another term of three years.

The Waiwup has sent telegrams to the Powers, tendering thanks for the cordial reception accorded to the Chinese Army Commissioner.

Mr. A. Chapman, assessor, reports to the police that on Monday he lost, between the stamp vault and his office, a leather pocket-book containing \$50 in money and some private papers.

The Ministry of Finance at Peking has instructed the Mint to push on the minting of the new currency coins and to remit them to the Ministry to be issued in the 8th month.

The Chinese Government considers the estimates of expenditure drawn up by the provinces for next year's budget excessive, and that the Ministry of Finance should curtail them.

As will be seen from the water return elsewhere there is now no danger as to supply. The number of storage gallons was 525,016,000 on August 1st as against 501,327,000 a year ago. Pooklam, which last month had several inches above overflow, is now below overflow.

General de Beyer, Commander of the Third Brigade, French Indo-China, has been drowned together with the chief of the French medical service at Laos and three natives, by the capsizing of a boat in which they were crossing the Mekong rapids below Luang Prabang.

A Berlin Press message states that according to the *Kieler Nachrichten*, China has requested Germany to send a number of German officers in order to reorganise the Chinese army. A proposition has been made for the introduction of compulsory military service in China.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 7th August, 1910, shows that of non-Chinese there were 339 to the Library and 14 to the Museum, and of Chinese 156 to the former and 187 to the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by 495 persons and the Museum by 191.

Mrs. Brunschoel, residing at 3, Beaconsfield Avenue, appeared at the Magistracy yesterday to prosecute a cook employed by Mr. Danenberg for using abusive language to her. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Wood ordered the defendant to be bound over in the sum of \$25 to keep the peace for six months.

Mrs. Ruby Holstein, of 33, Wyndham Street, informs the police that on Monday evening, between 8.30 and 11.30, during her absence, there were stolen from her bed-room a large silver box valued at \$97, silver tray valued at \$20, six liqueur goblets valued at \$25, navy blue coat with fur collar valued at \$150, and money to the extent of 77 in all \$369.

The annual report of Samarang Sea and Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., shows a very satisfactory year's operations during 1909. The balance of profit on both branches was \$40,500, and the reserve fund now stands at \$112,164. The local agents of this company are Messrs. H. Robitsek & Reia.

The hopes entertained of a speedy improvement in the financial situation at Shanghai received a setback yesterday, says the *N.C. Daily News* of August 5th, with the report of the failure of a prominent Chinese firm of stevedores. It would seem as if the community must reconcile itself to the prospect of severe financial stringency extending over several months.

The adjourned charge against two chair coolies in the employ of Mr. F. Maitland for assaulting a lukong was concluded yesterday. Apparently the defendants had deposited the chair near the steps of the Supreme Court and when ordered to move from there they declined to do so and assaulted the lukong. Mrs. Maitland gave evidence that she saw one of her coolies strike the lukong. One defendant was fined \$10 and the other was discharged.

Yesterday at the Magistracy the water police proceeded against eight steam launch owners for making fast to the s.s. *Lalany* while she was under way. They were towing cargo boats and made fast to the steamer when she was about a hundred yards from her buoy. They were fined \$25 each. The owners of the thirteen cargo boats were also charged with a similar offence, but Inspector Langley did not press the case, and the defendants were dismissed with a caution.

At the Magistracy yesterday, J. H. Oxberry was summoned for having made fast the Hongkong Hotel launch to the *Ernest Simons* while she was under way. Defendant, who was asked by Mr. Hallifax if he were the courier of the Hongkong Hotel, replied that he was, and explained that he saw one lamp rope fastened to the steamer's buoy before he told his coxswain to go alongside. When he got there he found also that the gangway was down. Inspector Langley, who prosecuted, said that he had seen steamers come in from Lyceum with their gangways down. The hearing was adjourned.

During the early hours of Sunday morning someone broke open a showcase at 128, Queen's Road Central, and made away with timepieces to the value of \$350. Two or three hours later Sergt. Wills arrested the suspected thief and on the following day found the man who had bought the stolen articles. The man charged with the theft appeared before the Magistracy yesterday and was committed for trial, while the charge against the man alleged to have received the articles knowing them to have been stolen was remanded.

We (Shanghai Mercury) understand from a confidential source that a community in Shanghai, inspired by Mr. Chan Titi-kwan and others, is going to establish a Cantonese A. D. C. All money collected from the performances will in future be handed over to the charitable funds of the port. Mr. Chan is following the precedent he established in Hongkong, Singapore and the Dutch Indies, in which large sums of money have been contributed towards the relief funds of the late inundation in Kwangtung and the famine in Kiangpoh.

The dinner given on board the flagship *Minotaur* at Dairen 5th July 30th was as great a success as that of the previous evening, says the *Manchurian Daily News*. Gov.-Gen. Viscount Oshima proposed the health of H. B. M. King George. Then Vice-Admiral Winalow gave the toast in honour of H. M. the Emperor of Japan in a manner as striking as was unprecedented. At a word from him, a salute of 21 guns broke the silence of night. The Governor-General and all the guests were quite overcome at this extraordinary mark of respect to their Sovereign. The dinner was followed by a *soiree*, "in which congeniality verging on fraternal unreservedness reigned supreme."

Mr. A. E. Leatham contributes to the current number of *Blackwood's Magazine* an interesting article on "A trip into Central China and a New Variety of Deer." The deer was shot by Mr. Leatham high up in the mountains in the neighbourhood of Iohang. Mr. Lydekker, of the Natural History Museum at South Kensington, declared it to be a new variety and named it the "Ichang Tufted Deer." Mr. Lydekker wrote that the genus *Elaphodus* has been hitherto known by two species, one from Tibet and one from the Ningpo district of China, and after noting the differences between these varieties and the specimen brought home by Mr. Leatham says: "There is no doubt as to the specific distinctness of the Ichang Tufted Deer, which may be named 'Elaphodus ichangensis.'"

An interesting case was brought before the Magistracy yesterday when a man was charged with being in possession of a stolen deposit receipt for \$1,000. Some time in June last a house in Macao belonging to a woman was entered by burglars, who took away clothing, jewellery, and a deposit receipt for \$1,000 on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. She reported the matter to the police at Macao, who instructed her to inform the bank, which she did. On Thursday last a man appeared at the bank and presented a deposit receipt for \$1,000, and reference to the books showed that this was the receipt which had been reported stolen. The man was advised to return on Saturday and meanwhile the woman in Macao was communicated with. She appeared at the bank at the same time as the man on Saturday and both claimed the receipt. The man was brought to the Police Station, where he was charged with being in possession of a stolen receipt. The case was remanded till Wednesday.

The Shanghai Volunteers at Bishy this year seem to have acquitted themselves well, says the *N.C. Daily News*. Full reports are not yet to hand, but we are informed that Mr. H. W. Dally scored 194 out of a possible 205 in the first and second stages of the King's, and was shooting in the third stage at the time our correspondent wrote; Mr. C. B. Graham scored 49 out of 50 at 800, and Mr. Bowen 47 out of 50 at 1,000 yards.

Lady Piggett (wife of the Chief Justice of Hongkong), as the Founder and Vice-President of the Colonial Nursing Association, contributes to the current number of the *Nineteenth Century* an interesting account of the origin and the aims of the association which came into existence fifteen years ago. "You would hardly believe it" is the title given to the article, the phrase being applied to a description of the conditions under which white men and women endured sickness in some of the Colonies before the foundation of the Colonial Nursing Association. "The aim of the Association," Lady Piggett writes, "is to help our Colonies or small British communities in foreign lands to act as the machinery which will provide them with permanent nursing assistance. In other words, the Association undertakes to select and forward nurses to any place requiring them on the understanding that a representative committee of residents will do its utmost to raise sufficient funds for the maintenance (board, lodging and salary, &c.) of nurses sent. The Association guarantees any deficit which the residents may not be in a position, at first, to meet, and advances the initial outlay of the passage money, &c., trusting that in every instance the local fund, together with the nurse's fees earned, will be sufficient to enable the movement to become self-supporting when once the initial difficulties of sending out the nurses are overcome."

**DEATH OF MR. E. B. SKOTTOWE.**  
We regret to have to announce the death in England of Mr. E. B. Skottowe, formerly Manager of the Shanghai Branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China. Mr. Skottowe, the *N.C. Daily News* says, had been in a bad state of health ever since he left Shanghai in February, 1903, and little hope had been entertained of his complete recovery, but the news of his death, which was received by telegram from London will come, nevertheless, as a shock to many. Mr. Skottowe was born in the Isle of Man, and served his first apprenticeship to banking with the Douglas branch of the City of Glasgow Bank. He came to the East in 1892 as a member of the Chartered Bank at Shanghai and in 1891 became Manager. His name will always be remembered in Shanghai as that of a generous patron of local sports, which he was ever ready to encourage. In 1905 he gave much-needed assistance to the Association Football by presenting the Skottowe Cup, which is now connected with the League competition. In 1907 in conjunction with Mr. John Frenchie he gave another Challenge Cup to be competed for by international teams. Mr. Skottowe's position gave him a recognized influence in the time a member of the Municipal Council and Chairman of the China Association.

**JAPANESE CONTRACTS FOR BRITISH FIRMS.**  
A commercial organ says that there have been several important orders secured by British firms just lately from Japan and other parts of the Far East. A contract of the value of over \$30,000 has been obtained by a Bedford firm to erect a gas plant for the Tokyo Gas Co. There is a great opening for the introduction of gas plant in Japan and it is fortunate that a British firm should carry off this order from the capital. It should serve well as an advertisement of British engineering. A large quantity of sugar-mill machinery has recently been shipped from the Clyde to Japan, and electric lifts and wood-working machines for the South Manchurian railway will presently be leaving England.

**THE SILVER MARKET.**  
Subjoined is Messrs. Mocatta & Goldsmid's latest circular to hand by yesterday's Siberian Mail:

The demand for cash silver mentioned in our last has continued during the past week, and the difference widened to as much as 3d. per oz. on the 11th inst., when a large number of bears came to settle their commitments. Since then the premium on cash rapidly declined, being as little as 3d. per oz. on the 15th and 14th, though to-day it has again widened, the quotations being 25 1/2d. per oz. for cash and 24 1/2d. per oz. for two months forward.

These large differences which have had to be met by operators, many of whom had sold "bears" as a hedge against China exchange and other transactions, will probably tend to restrict business, as operators will not be inclined to face the risk of being in a similar predicament again. It was, however, only the natural outcome of the policy of the bulls, who have been taking up their purchases instead of carrying them over in the market—a policy to which we made reference three weeks ago.

China took advantage of the high prices to sell freely in Bombay. The stocks in the latter place are practically unchanged at about \$800, but they will be soon swollen by large shipments now on the way both from China and London. The up-country demand remains small, and the inquiry for silver for other than speculative purposes is very limited all the while over at present; but as long as the chief operators pursue their present policy we may expect continuance of the conditions now ruling.

**LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.**

The Mogul Line str. *Pathan* sailed from the United Kingdom on the 2nd instant for Hongkong via Straits.

The Indo-China str. *Kunming* left Calcutta for the Straits and Hongkong on the 5th inst., and is due here on or about the 21st instant.

The O.S.K. str. *Panama* sailed for Tacoma for this port via Japan and Manila on the 6th instant, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 15th inst.

The C.P.R. Co.'s str. *Empress of India*, which left here on the 16th ult., arrived at Vancouver on the 6th inst.

The C.P.R. Co.'s str. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Shanghai at 1.30 a.m. on the 9th inst., and left again at 10 p.m. same day for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on the 11th instant.

The P.M. str. *Mongolia* arrived at San Francisco on the 5th inst.

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**TELEGRAMS.**  
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**THE SUNGARI AGREEMENT.**  
PEKING, August 9th.  
The Agreement respecting the navigation of the Sungari River has been signed to-day.  
[A telegram reprinted by us on Monday from the *N.C. Daily News* stated that China's claim for a free trading zone, of fifty versts on each side of the Russo-Chinese boundary which only affected goods emanating from opposite zones has been abandoned. It has been decided that the goods from the whole of each country should be free in the other's zone, by a rebate following upon proof of consumption there. China concedes the reduction of a third of the local taxes on beans and grain. In connection with the tonnage dues, Russia quoted Articles 15, 16 and 18 of the Treaty of 1881. It was finally decided to institute regular freight dues, which are expected to increase China's revenue from this source by twenty-five per cent. China is to provide tags equally for all vessels.]

**THE VOYAGE OF THE CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY.**  
LONDON, August 9th.  
The voyage of the Crown Prince of Germany to the Far East has excited general interest. It has not yet been decided whether His Imperial Highness will travel on a warship or a special liner. It is understood that the Prince will travel first to China and Japan and visit India on the return journey.

**THE VISIT OF "EMINENT POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE."**  
LONDON, August 9th.  
The Crown Prince of Germany will return from his tour in the Far East early in February. His Imperial Highness will be accompanied by a small suite. The Berlin "Post" says the visit will be of "eminent political significance." The presence of the Prince in Peking and Tokyo will help to convince the ruling classes what an important and unselfish friend Germany is, and that she will be still more so in the future.

**CHURCH AND STATE IN SPAIN.**  
INSTRUCTION FROM THE VATICAN.  
LONDON, August 9th.  
It is reported from Rome that the Papal Secretary of State has instructed the Bishops and prominent Catholics in Spain to prevent demonstrations and disorders, owing to the possibility of any such movements becoming anti-dynastic. The Vatican hopes this will re-open the door to a settlement.

**THE COMMERCIAL TREATIES WITH PORTUGAL.**  
LONDON, August 9th.  
Portugal is busily negotiating the revision of her commercial treaties with foreign Powers. She has already concluded a reciprocity treaty with Germany and is now discussing terms with Great Britain. Failing the negotiation of a Treaty Portugal applies a surtax from the 1st of January.

**COUNTY CRICKET.**  
London, August 4th.  
The following are the results of the cricket matches played on August 1, 2 and 3—  
Surrey beat Nottinghamshire at the Oval by an innings and 143 runs; Kent beat Middlesex at Canterbury by an innings and 180 runs; Essex beat Derbyshire at Derby by 271 runs; Northamptonshire beat Leicestershire at Northampton by four wickets; Lancashire beat Yorkshire at Manchester by an innings and 111 runs. The matches between Gloucestershire and Somersetshire, Worcestershire and Hampshire and Sussex were all abandoned on account of rain.

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## COMPANY MEETING.

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The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—I presume that in accordance with the accepted practice, the Report and Accounts will be taken as read. The present position of the Company is so clearly set forth therein that it is unnecessary for me to detain you with many remarks. Little more other local enterprises this Company has suffered from the general dulness of trade; in addition we have had increased competition to contend with on all the lines occupied by our steamers during the period under review. I am glad to be able to state that after prolonged negotiations an arrangement was come to at the end of June with the Chinese and Foreign-owned steamers running between Hongkong and Canton. Since the formation of this agreement our earnings on this line have shown a marked improvement, and has worked beneficially for all parties. In view of the heavy annual outlay for repairs to the boilers of the s.s. *Houngshan* your Directors, acting on the advice of experts, have deemed it prudent to replace the present boilers with others of improved and more modern type. Tenders having been invited, the order for the construction of the boilers was placed with the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company. The cost of these boilers—about \$50,000—will appear in the next half-year's working account. The Company's investments, I am pleased to say, are in a satisfactory condition. All our mortgages with one exception, which we are, however, about to foreclose, show ample margins on the respective loans. As customary the properties mortgaged to the Company have been surveyed and revalued by Messrs. Palmer & Turner, Funds in Public Companies, as usual, have been adjusted in accordance with the quotations current on 30th June, by the transfer of \$24,780.50 from Investment Flotation Account. The loss by subsidiary silver during the past six months' working amounted to \$28,112.18. I may say the current half-year has opened encouragingly, and I trust when we meet again we shall be able to show an improvement on the result of the past six months' working. I do not think there is anything to be alarmed at, so much as there are any questions to be answered I will propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented.

No questions were asked, and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.  
Mr. SILVA, in seconding the motion, said:—Mr. Chairman,—Before seconding the adoption of the report and accounts, I beg leave to say a few words. I am almost sure that the shareholders of this Company are quite pleased with the result of the half-year's account, and that, in spite of the bad time and depressed state of the trade, the Directors were able to present such a satisfactory report. I believe the Company has never been in such a prosperous and sound position, which is a credit to the Directors. I therefore wish to congratulate and thank them and the acting secretary and the staff in general for the co-operation they have given in the interests of the shareholders. I wish also to show our appreciation of the services rendered by the acting Secretary, who has also contributed very much towards the welfare of the Company. With these few remarks, I have pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and account.

The motion was carried unanimously.  
The election of Messrs. F. H. Armstrong and C. H. Ross to the directorate was confirmed, on the motion of Mr. TURNER, seconded by Mr. GOURDIN.  
It was proposed by Mr. STANTON, seconded by Mr. NORTHCOTE, and agreed, that Messrs. H. A. Siebs and J. W. Bandow should be re-elected to the Board of Directors.  
Mr. CHAN SIN KI proposed the reappointment of Messrs. A. O'D. Gourdin and W. H. Potts as auditors.  
Mr. MACHADO seconded, and the motion was carried.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants are now ready. I am obliged for your attendance.

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## SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, August 9th.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT  
(CHIEF JUSTICE).

TRIAL OF PARTNERSHIP ISSUE.

Before his Honour the Chief Justice and a jury the trial of the partnership issue in the action between Tang Wong Shi and Lai Chi Chin and the Choong Hing Steamship Co. was continued. The issue was to decide as to whether Lai Chi Chin was on the 4th and 10th days of January, 1908, or on either of such days, a partner in the Choong Hing Steamship Co., lately carrying on business in this Colony, or liable as a partner in such company or firm.

The jury empanelled was composed of Messrs. H. F. Hickman (foreman), J. Maxwell, C. Cooke, J. H. Barr, H. T. Palmer, Q. C. Cruickshank and H. Tillman.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow & Morrell), appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. W. Shale, K.C., instructed by Mr. Hinds (of Messrs. Bratton & Hoti), represented the defendant.

Mr. Shale, in outlining the case for the defence, first gave a brief history of the litigation. Then he pointed out that Pau Chi was undoubtedly the founder and manager of the Choong Hing Steamship Co., and was admitted by a partner. Another partner was Tang Cho, a gentleman who practised trade on week days and active Christianity on Sundays. The name there were two other partners of the name of Li. Lai Chi Chin was not at any time a partner in the firm. The names of the four partners were only entered in the books of the firm as having paid their money. There was a proper book kept wherein was recorded the share capital subscribed by the various partners, and the names of four men only were entered therein. That book mysteriously disappeared, and in place of it among the books which were shortly afterwards seized under an execution levied on the firm in some other case was a similar book, but black. The edges of this book were written, but there was nothing put inside. The knowledge of this particular book was got in this way: At the time when Lai Chi Chin was arrested when he was supposed to be fitting to Canton, he was just on the eve of the hearing of his appeal case, where he was going to prove that the series of books of the Tak Li Lung firm by which he had been proved in the Summary Court to be a partner, were forgeries. Just after the action was instituted somebody thought it would be a sound thing to look at the books of the Choong Hing firm to see whether or not there was any improper entries in them which by any possibility could be twisted round to an allegation of Lai Chi Chin being a partner in the firm. Pau Chi, when he went to the family house in Caine Road, assured them that there was nothing, and offered to take any one of them down to the firm and show them the books. The only available person present to take advantage of that offer, and who could read Chinese, was one of the defendant's younger sisters-in-law, Miss Annie Quinn. She read the entries and saw that the name of her brother-in-law was not there. A day or two afterwards Mr. Bratton & Hoti's office, went down with an interpreter and Mrs. Chan, another sister-in-law, for the express purpose of seeing this very same book. This was only a few days later, but the book had gone; it was not produced. When he asked for it he was informed that there never was such a book. A few days later the books were seized under an execution, and were placed in one of the godowns of the Supreme Court. There they became infested with white ants, and were destroyed by the Registrar. The defendant would be called, and he would tell the jury that, as some of the witnesses had deposed, he was very frequently in the premises of the Choong Hing. He was there from the month of August onwards, not because he was a partner, but because Pau Chi, the expert accountant, was his most important witness in another action, and he was there constantly consulting him with regard to the books in that action. Defendant would say that he never had anything whatever to do with the business of the Choong Hing firm except in the way of lending them money, and he borrowed small sums from them from time to time. The defence, fortunately, had got a complete translation of the contents of the foki's wages book. That book contained the names of every person employed in and about the firm; in it were the names of every single one they knew to be partners, and Lai Chi Chin's name was not in that book, where it could be expected to be if the allegations of his drawing money were true. One of the accountants of the firm would be called, and he would say that Lai Chi Chin was not a partner, and would corroborate Miss Annie Quinn, because he was the man who got the partnership book and handed it to Miss Quinn to see. Further, at the opening of the firm Lai Chi Chin sent the partners a congratulatory scroll, and a person who was a partner never thinks of sending a congratulatory scroll to himself. This little steamship company started business in the middle of June, 1907. In August of the same year the defendant was called as a witness in the Tak Li Lung action, and was then asked what business he had in Hongkong. He then stated that he was interested in only one firm. At that time the Choong Hing Company had just started, and if he had been a partner in that firm he would naturally have said so, there being no necessity then to conceal the fact, as the firm had no liabilities at that date. Then Pau Chi was asked if he was not a partner with Lai Chi Chin in the Choong Hing

Steamship Co., and he said that Lai Chi Chin had not a share, and never had held one in that Company.

Evidence for the defence opened, and the hearing was adjourned.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. F. A. HAZELAND  
(ACTING PUISSE JUDGE).

PRICE OF A FEAST.

Ko Man Sang, lately carrying on business as the Yuet Cheung firm, brought action against the Kwong Tung Hotel Co., Ltd., to recover \$23.88, amount due by defendants to plaintiff for salt fish supplied. Defendants admitted the claim, but counterclaimed \$37.45 for refreshments and meals supplied at plaintiff's request, thus leaving a balance due to defendants of \$13.57.

Mr. Christopher Wilson (of Messrs. Hastings & Hastings) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. D. V. Stevenson (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker & Deacon) for the defendants.

Mr. Wilson said the claim was admitted, and the only question for his Lordship to decide was the counterclaim.

Mr. Stevenson said as the burden of proof was on him he would commence. The claim was brought for \$23.88, which was admitted in the counterclaim, in which defendants pleaded that they had, on several occasions, supplied the plaintiff with meals and refreshments at the hotel in the ordinary course of business, and the amount of those meals came to \$37.45. If the amount claimed by plaintiff was deducted from the amount which defendants claimed, there was a balance left in favour of the latter of \$13.57. Defendants kept a Chinese restaurant at Kennedy Town, where customers who were known to the proprietor took their friends, and when meals were ordered the proprietor asked to whom they should be debited. He would prove that on each occasion the proprietor was instructed to debit the amount to the plaintiff.

His Lordship—Who was standing the dinner? Mr. Stevenson—That we don't know, but our instructions were to put them down to the account of the Yuet Cheung firm. Proceeding. Mr. Stevenson said that subsequently to these transactions the Yuet Cheung closed its business, and the plaintiff called at the defendants' hotel one evening and asked the accountant to make him out three bills in respect of these four meals in the names of different men, stating that he would collect the money. Defendants did not know who these men were, but the bills were made out as requested, and since then they had heard nothing further. They still, however, looked to Ko Man Sang to pay the amount, as the hotel at his request had given him credit. The case stands part heard.

## BIG IRRIGATION SCHEME.

What promises to be one of the largest irrigation, drainage and reclamation projects ever considered in the Far East and in fact anywhere outside of the vast works recently completed in Egypt, is one that has been recommended by the Irrigation Committee of the Philippines, by which it is proposed to drain, irrigate and reclaim all the vast extension of land lying between the Zamboanga range of mountains on the west and the cordillera running north from Bulacan to the north of Nueva Ecija, in other words, the provinces of Bulacan, Pangasinan, Tarlac, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga and parts of Batangas and Zambales.

For the present the portion of this territory lying south of a line along the ridge traversing Luzon from east to west through Tarlac will be dealt with, this being the nearest to the capital and being the section of the country most in need of attention.

This section of the country contains the extensive Candaba swamp which is proposed to drain and reclaim to agriculture, and the low lands surrounding Malolos, Hagonoy, Bulacan, and all along the coast line for a considerable distance inland.

The project will include the control of the Rio Grande river and all those other rivers and streams that flow to the southward and in the rainy season do so much damage to crops and to the land that is or might be under cultivation.

With the approval of the secretary of commerce and police the irrigation division will at once set about to investigate the irrigation and drainage of the entire central valley lying north of Manila and extending to the watershed. This much of the work will involve the study of an area of over 340,000 hectares, not all of which, however, can be brought under irrigation for cultivation, but which must be studied as a unit in the development of the plans for the several irrigation systems it is proposed to construct within the area.

This stretch of land is considered a very promising field of labour because of its proximity to Manila as a market and as a shipping point. Also on account of the transportation facilities, the richness of the soil and the density of the population.

This project involves large problems of river control and of the protection of the land from damage from inundations that occur annually. It also involves the drainage of large areas not under cultivation and the general improvement of sanitary conditions throughout the tide water district.

It is hoped that by the improvements that will be introduced the annual washouts along the railroad through Tarlac will in the future be avoided; that the water supplies of Malolos, Hagonoy, Bulacan and several other towns in the lowland districts will be immensely improved; that the encroachments of the salt waters upon the fresh will be put a stop to, and that one of the chief results will be the destruction of the cholera breeding centres that are now a continual menace to the health of the city of Manila.

## BRITISH TRADE IN THE EAST.

At the meeting of Council of the London Chamber of Commerce last month, Mr. Stanley Mopin presiding, it was agreed, on the recommendation of the East India and China Trades Section, to address the Foreign Office with reference to the benefits to British trade and industry which might reasonably be expected to follow the introduction of easier and more rapid means of transport in Manchuria, and to urge upon the Government the desirability of furthering the development of railways and commercial enterprise in that country, by British subjects.

## COMPANY REPORT.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.

The ninetieth report of the court of directors to the ordinary half-yearly general meeting of shareholders to be held at the City Hall, Hongkong on Saturday, the 20th August, is as follows: Gentlemen:—The directors have now to submit to you a general statement of the affairs of the bank, and balance sheet for the half-year ending 30th June, 1910.

The net profits for that period, including \$2,028,987.94, balance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts, amount to \$5,389,127.67.

The directors recommend the transfer of \$500,000 from the Profit and Loss account to credit of the silver reserve fund, which fund will then stand at \$16,000,000.

They also recommend writing off bank premises account the sum of \$150,000.

After making these transfers and deducting remuneration to directors, there remains for appropriation \$4,724,127.67, out of which the directors recommend the payment of a dividend of two pounds sterling per share, viz. \$240,000, which at 1/9th, the rate of the day, will absorb \$2,694,736.84.

The balance \$2,029,390.83 to be carried to New Profit and Loss account.

Sterling Reserve Fund.—Owing to the redemption of the National War Loan re-arrangement of the securities held in this account became necessary, and \$270,000 3 per cent. exchequer bonds due 1915 were purchased, which stand in the books at 98. The opportunity was taken to adjust our holding of Consols to 60 and to write down other sterling securities.

The expenditure incurred in effecting these changes, viz. \$7,170, has been met out of the profits of the half-year.

Branches and Agencies.—Sub-Agencies of the bank have been opened at Ipoh and Johore (Malay Peninsula).

Directors.—Mr. E. G. Barrett, Mr. H. E. Tomkins, Mr. C. S. Gubbay and the Honourable Mr. W. J. Grosseau having resigned their seats on leaving the Colony, Mr. G. H. Medhurst, Mr. F. H. Armstrong, Mr. S. A. Levy and the Honourable Mr. Henry Kewick have been invited to fill the vacancies. Mr. Andrew Forbes has been invited to join the Board. These appointments require confirmation at this meeting.

Mr. G. Balloch has been elected Chairman for the remainder of the year and Mr. Robert Sheehan Deputy Chairman.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. F. Matfield and Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, the former acting for Mr. W. Hutton Potts, who is absent from the Colony.

G. BALLOCH, Chairman.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1910.

## ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

30th June, 1910.

## LIABILITIES.

Paid-up capital \$15,000,000.00

Sterling reserve fund \$15,000,000.00

Silver reserve fund \$15,000,000.00

Marine insurance account \$250,000.00

Notes in circulation \$1,200,000.00

(Authorized issue against securities and coin deposited with the Crown Agents for the Colonies and their trustees, \$15,000,000.00) \$13,965,133.00

Current accounts \$120,075,829.63

Silver \$24,723,737.94

9s. 9d. \$53,032,347.36

Fixed deposits \$62,936,914.70

Silver \$4,865,688.

13s. 6d. \$54,631,394.09

\$117,568,308.79

Bills payable (including drafts on London bankers, call loans and short sight drawings on London) \$21,502,332.64

London receivable and bullion shipments \$5,389,127.67

Profit and loss account \$377,283,079.09

Liability on bills of exchange re-discounted, \$7,895,062.17s. 6d. of which \$6,071,419.4s. 10d. have since run off.

ASSETS.

Cash \$48,995,989.39

Coin lodged with the Hongkong Government against authorisation and/or excess note circulation \$12,000,000.00

Bullion in hand and in transit \$11,945,376.69

Indian Government rupee paper \$2,317,687.65

Consols, Colonial and other securities \$14,706,302.64

Sterling reserve fund investments, viz.:—

£1,200,000 2½% Consols at 90 (of which £250,000 lodged with the Bank of England as a Special London Reserve) \$960,000

\$270,000 3 per cent. exchequer bonds due 1915 at 98 \$264,000

\$534,000 other sterling securities written down to \$275,400

@ ex. 2/— \$15,000,000.00

Bills discounted, loans and credits \$44,631,243.46

Bills receivable \$125,639,558.39

Bank premises \$2,047,920.87

\$377,283,079.09

GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, 30th June, 1910.

To amounts written off—

Remuneration to directors \$15,000.00

To dividend account—

\$2 per share on 120,000 shares \$2,400,000 at 1/9th \$2,694,736.84

To transfer to silver reserve fund \$500,000.00

To transfer to bank premises account \$150,000.00

To balance forward to next half-year \$2,029,390.83

\$5,389,127.67

## A CHINESE COMPANY SCANDAL.

The report of Mr. J. L. Smith, the British Consul at Chungking, on the trade of the district for the year 1909 contains the following: Chuan Han Railway.—A meeting of the shareholders of this company, which is a purely native concern and was floated with the object of leasing the construction of railways in Szechuan in Chinese hands, was held in November. The accounts submitted showed that a sum of 15,405,902 taels (\$2,206,000) had been collected in shares, taxation, investments of capital, &c. Of this only 23 per cent. had been collected voluntarily, the greater proportion of the remainder having been collected as "tauku"—i.e., shares given in exchange for a forced levy, payable by every landholder in the form of an addition to his land-tax. Though at the time of the meeting the first act had not been turned and the company had been in existence some five years, the actual balance in hand was only 10,421,958 taels (\$1,537,026). Among other grounds for dissatisfaction it was found that there were on the books 249 employees drawing some \$8,500 a year in salaries and wages; the explanation afforded was most inadequate, and as a result certain of the directors and assistant-directors were handed over to the authorities to be dealt with on charges of malversation of the funds.

The new board of directors has promised a fresh audit of accounts, the dismissal of superfluous employees, and remedy of various abuses, in the hope of being able to attract further capital from Chinese sources.

## SIAMESE RAILWAY CONTRACTS.

It is understood that the contract for the early delivery of the whole of the steel work required for the fifteen new bridges to be constructed on the Royal Siamese State Railways has been secured by the Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Company, Darlington. These bridges, the spans of which vary from 10 to 80 metres in length, are, it is stated, required in connection with important schemes of railway development arising out of the Anglo-Siam Treaty, as the result of which 15,000 miles of territory were ceded to the British Empire. It will be remembered that four millions sterling was advanced to Siam at 4 per cent. for the extension of a railway from Bangkok to the new British border in Kelantan. This line will link up the Siamese railways to the Federated Malay States line from Singapore, recently under construction. About 120 miles of the Malay line was opened last year and another 76 miles have recently been opened, leaving additional 150 miles now under construction to the Siamese terminus. Through railway communication will thus be afforded between Singapore and Bangkok, and the connection of the Southern Burmese and Malay States line, via the Siamese Railways, will eventually be possible.

## WAGES IN THE COTTON TRADE.

General satisfaction, says *The Times*, will be expressed at the announcement we make elsewhere that, at a joint meeting of masters and operatives in the cotton trade, held at Manchester a settlement of the wages question, which has been hanging over Lancashire for months past, has been arrived at, so far as the Lancashire district is concerned. It will be remembered that the trouble arose from a disagreement between the two parties as to a detail of the revised conciliation scheme for the automatic regulation of wages prepared in August, 1905, by a joint committee, under the terms of the Brooklands agreement. A scale of wages had been arrived at based on variations in cotton trade profit and loss, but, unfortunately, masters and men "were not agreed" to this scale, and the *Teddle* of May 14, 1910, "upon the point at which to draw the neutral 'line between plus and minus'." The men claimed that the basis should be the level at which wages stood during the last period of high profits, which was 5 per cent. above the "standard list." The masters maintained that the *datum* line should be the line of the list itself, which implied that wages must at the present time be reduced by 5 per cent. The joint meeting last night unanimously agreed to recommend that the masters' demand for a reduction should be withdrawn, conditionally on no demand for either an advance or a reduction on the present rate being made for the next five years. We assume, therefore, that the conciliation scheme on which so much time, thought, and work has been spent will now become actually operative, and it may be hoped that the automatic regulation of wages has now been established in the staple industry of Lancashire. The decision reflects great credit on all concerned in it, and shows once more how much good sense the men of all classes in the County Palatine can display when a serious emergency in their joint affairs demands its exercise.

## WRIGHT AND GREEN'S "PREMIER"

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## OPIUM IN WESTERN CHINA.

## PLOUGHING UP THE CROPS.

(BY A CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON "DAILY TELEGRAPH.")

CHENG-TU, SZECHUEN, June 1st.

I have travelled this year several hundred miles in Western China, through the provinces of Szechuan, Kansu, and Szechuen. Everybody is talking about opium and the progress made by the Government in its campaign against the cultivation of the drug.

At the outset let me offer one or two general remarks on the situation in this part of the empire. In the first place, the opium poppy is not a plant which can hide itself under a bushel, its white and purple flowers being conspicuous at a distance, and though growing at altitudes up to 8,000ft in Kansu, it is only found in the broad mountain valleys, and more especially on the great plains, since the remote mountain population cannot spare the land for its cultivation. Consequently even a cursory tour of inspection over the opium districts is sufficient to enable an official to gain an idea as to how far his orders are being carried out, and should he take a little trouble, it is impossible that it should be cultivated surreptitiously.

Secondly, given a Viceroy who is in earnest, there is no doubt that he can succeed in such an enterprise very quickly. A Viceroy in the Far West of China is omnipotent—a small autocrat—and the people are prodigiously afraid of him. Remove that enlightened progressive Chao Er-king to Lan-chow, making him Viceroy of Szechuan, and in two years there would not be an opium plant in either province. Even a determined minor official can do good work, as is testified by the cleared districts round Hsian-fu.

Almost every Shon city in this neighbourhood has its opium refuge, where a cure for the habit is guaranteed in seven days, though one can hardly suppose that this is sufficient time for obstinate cases. Three classes are taken in, the poorest receiving free medicine and attention.

Needless to say, the high price of the drug is now an incentive to speculators, and many are holding up supplies. Moreover, a few unscrupulous men continue its cultivation in the vicinity of a slack official, in spite of the stringent regulations. There is no doubt, too, that some smuggling is taking place, the opium being concealed in bales of cotton and easily passing the like stations—which, by the way, were abolished by twenty-five years ago, though they are still numerous in the interior. In this manner a certain amount is probably being smuggled over the Burma frontier into Yunnan.

But on the whole I am inclined to regard the outlook for China as very hopeful. The Imperial Government is fully alive to the advantages of the course upon which it is embarked, and is being well supported by the officials and people; and I believe that the Indian Government must be prepared to cease the importation of opium into this country, according to treaty, not within ten years, but within six. A new era is slowly dawning, and China will presently be able to make a fresh start amongst the nations with a nucleus of latent power that must rapidly become apparent.

## CULTIVATION IN SHENSI.

And now for a few notes on observations made during my long journey. Coming down the west road which runs from Peking through Hsian-fu to Lan-chow and Tibet last December, I saw no sign of opium between the eastern border of Shensi and the provincial capital; but four days west of Hsian, near Chow-tai, we came across several fields of the plant, just coming up. This was at Christmas. About the same time, too, an innkeeper of the district informed me that he was indeed a happy man, for Shensi and Kansu were to be allowed to grow opium!

In the mountains south of the Hsian plain and on the plain of the Upper Han from Hanchow-fu westwards to the Kansu border, I saw no sign of the plant. What, then, is the actual state of affairs with regard to opium in this province?

Last year Shensi must have produced almost its usual amount of the drug, since Dr. Morrison, writing from Hsian on Jan. 31 of this year, stated that he had met a train of opium carts under official protection. These would doubtless be going to Chi-li and the capital, one of the first provinces to be cleared of the plant. In the outlying districts little has been done as yet, as witness the opium fields round Chow-tai; but in the neighbourhoods of Hsian itself the officials have completely eliminated the plant, in spite of the fact that the present Pa-tai (the Governor of Shensi) is himself an opium smoker.

Over parts of the Hsian plain, at least, Imperial representatives were making tours of inspection, and men found cultivating the prohibited plant had been beaten in the fields by the yamen runners, and their crops ploughed up. In one district, indeed, such was the terror inspired by the visiting official that his appearance was made known beforehand, and men had fled to their homes and even from their homes leaving their crops at the mercy of the official, who made short work of them. And I have little doubt that the opium district round Chow-tai will be found and similarly dealt with before the spring. The happy innkeeper who rejoiced over the quiet fictitious news that Shensi and Kansu were to be allowed to cultivate opium, was doubtless deceived by the tactics of the Imperial Government, who, in the face of the growing pressure to bear on the opium-growing provinces one or two at a time. Thus in parts of Kansu the edict prohibiting its cultivation, now three years old, was not posted up till this year!

On the whole, opium is decreasing in Shensi, and the yield this year will be decidedly smaller than the crop of 1909. In view of the shortage, and in part owing to the present limited supply already being folk, the drug which last year cost 200 cash an ounce in Hsian is now costing 800 and 1,000 cash, with the result that men who could afford to smoke it last year can now only afford to chew it.

## VICEROY AND THE MOB.

South-Eastern Kansu on both sides of the main watershed was free of the plant as far west as Minchow. A rumour that city in the Pow Valley, and within gunshot of the yamen, I have seen several fields of opium. The edict prohibiting its growth had been posted up in Minchow only this year, and a few days after its appearance opium had been sown within sight of the yamen! (In the North the plant is not sown till the spring.)

Round Towchow I saw no sign of opium, but in the warm valleys of the Southern Kansu mountains, where this province dovetails into Szechuan, we passed several fields in bloom towards the end of April. Yet opium was selling for a tael an ounce in Minchow! Judging from the above, I am inclined to think that no great pressure has yet been applied to Kansu, one of the greatest opium-producing provinces in the empire.

The edict almost caused a riot in the provincial capital. Men armed themselves with sticks and stones, and a great crowd attempted

to storm the yamen, but though some damage was done, the sudden appearance of the Viceroy quickly sobered the mob. "Kill us now as we stand," they shouted. "Kill us all now!" "I am only obeying the Emperor's orders," answered the Viceroy. "What would you have? Do you want me to lose my head?"

But in the end the Viceroy vacillated, compromised, gave way, and there is opium in Kansu to-day. As a result he was degraded last year, and it remains to be seen how his successor will cope with the situation.

## SIGHT WAX WITH RIVERS.

In Szechuan the outlook is splendid. Through the northern mountains, over the foothills, and across the Chengtu plain, I have not seen a single poppy plant, and it is the same to the west and south of the capital, too—no opium this year. In Eastern Szechuan, on the Hupé border, incipient riots occurred last year owing to the prohibitive price of the drug, and men unable to purchase it went round demanding money for that purpose, setting fire to the houses of such as refused them.

But the Viceroy, Chao Er-king, was ruthless, and the ringleaders were beheaded without mercy. I am told that a few fields there, remnant of a devastated area, came into flower this spring. Soldiers had been sent to the region to put down the trouble, and they ploughed up most of the opium found, but did not entirely eradicate it. However, the responsible official, on the withdrawal of the troops, was fined 2,000 taels, and not permitted to go out of office till he had seen to the extermination of the opium crop. On another occasion a field was discovered by an inspecting official near the capital. On inquiry it was found that it belonged to a poor widow, who escaped the proceeding which would otherwise have been taken; but the official looked on while his men destroyed the crop.

The greatest province of the empire, with a population of 70,000,000, is to-day practically free from opium, the thousands of acres devoted only last year to its cultivation being now occupied by rice fields, wheat, indigo, and tobacco, to the great benefit of the people. Already other benefits are being felt, apart from the intrinsic value of these achievements. Thus the price of cereals in the province has been conspicuously lowered, in consequence of the increased acreage devoted to legitimate crops.

I am told by men who have travelled there this year that in Yunnan, too, another enormous opium-growing district in former years, there is now hardly a plant to be found, except for a few small districts in the remotest corners. But of this I know nothing at first hand.

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
JOHN ARNOLD,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1910. [926]

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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG

## ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

**IN THE MATTER of the COMPANIES' ORDINANCES, 1865 to 1886, and**

**IN THE MATTER of the HONGKONG AND MANILA YUEN SHENG EXCHANGE AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Petition for the winding up of the above-named Company by the Supreme Court of Hongkong was on the 8th day of August, 1910, presented to the said Court by IP SAU CHI, of Nos. 2 and 4, Kow Yung Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and by the Yu Wo Fat Firm, of No. 33, Des Voeux Road, West, Victoria, aforesaid, Merchants, Creditors respectively of the said Company. And that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the said Court sitting at the Supreme Court House, Victoria, aforesaid, on the 23rd day of August, 1910, at 10.30 of the clock in the forenoon, and any Creditor or Contributor of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished to any Creditor or Contributor of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

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**NOTE**—Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on or send by Post to the above-named notice in writing of his intention so to do. The Notice must state the name and address of the person, or if a Firm the name and address of the Firm and must be signed by the person or Firm or his or their Solicitor (if any), and must be served or if posted must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named notice not later than 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the 15th day of August, 1910.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1910. [928]

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of August, 1910, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1910.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 8th August to SATURDAY, the 20th August, 1910 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
N. J. STABB,  
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd August, 1910. [897]

## HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

## NOTICE.

**IN** Accordance with the Provisions of No. 44, of the Articles of Association of the General Managers have this day Declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June, 1910, of TWO DOLLARS PER SHARE.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
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Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [894]

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## AUCTIONS

## BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT** has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION.

**TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),** the 11th day of August, 1910, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at his SALEROOM, in Duddell Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

The following VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, situate at Victoria aforesaid, viz—

All that Piece or Parcel of ground situate at Victoria aforesaid registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 107, together with the messuages thereon known as Nos. 39, 41, 43, 45, and 47, Hollywood Road and Nos. 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60 and 62, Lyndhurst Terrace, Area 3824 square feet, Term 999 years from 8th May, 1852. Annual Crown Rent, £15.

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Princes Buildings, Ice House Street,  
Solicitors for the Vendor,  
or to  
Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1910. [877]

**BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.**

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT** has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION.

**ON FRIDAY,** the 12th day of August, 1910, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at his SALEROOM in Duddell St., Victoria, Hongkong.

**IN THREE LOTS.**

The following VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES situate at Victoria aforesaid, viz—

**LOT 1.** All that Piece or Parcel of ground known and registered in the Land Office as SECTION E of MARINE LOT No. 116, together with the messuages erections and buildings thereon known as No. 3, Stone Nullah Lane, Area 920 square feet. Term 999 years. Annual Crown Rent \$15.36.

**LOT 2.** All that Piece or Parcel of ground known and registered in the Land Office as SECTION F of MARINE LOT No. 116, together with the messuages erections and buildings thereon known as No. 3, Stone Nullah Lane, Area 894 square feet. Term 999 years. Annual Crown Rent \$14.93.

**LOT 3.** All that Piece or Parcel of ground known and registered in the Land Office as SECTION G of MARINE LOT No. 116, together with the messuages erections and buildings thereon known as No. 1, Stone Nullah Lane, Area 943 square feet. Term 999 years. Annual Crown Rent \$15.75.

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Princes Buildings, Ice House Street,  
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Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [890]

## G. R.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS** of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 15th day of August, 1910, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the OFFICER ADMINISTERING the GOVERNMENT, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at the Peak, in the Colony of HONGKONG, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 10th December, 1877.

**PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.**

**THE** Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction.

**ON TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY,** the 16th and 17th August, 1910, at 10 A.M. each day, at H.M. NAVAL ESTABLISHMENTS, SUNDAY ODD and SURPLUS NAVAL and VICTUALING STORES.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [900]

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[1535]

## TO LET

**TO LET.**

**No. 1, ORMSBY TERRACE,** Kowloon, and  
**No. 4, SEYMOUR ROAD,** Hongkong.  
Apply to—  
SPANISH DOMINICAN PROCUROTOR.  
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1910. [879]

**TO LET.**

**NOS. 19 and 23, SHELLEY STREET,** new 5-Roomed House.  
**HOUSE in Bellis Terrace,** No. 57, PRAYA GRANDE, Macao.  
**No. 2, CONDUIIT ROAD,** 5-Roomed House, from 1st June or 1st July, 1910.

**No. 9, BELCONSFIELD ARCADE (Shop),** FOR SALE—Rena Casser, at Peak, commanding a Magnificent View of the Harbour and Adjacent Islands.

Apply to—**LINSTEAD & DAVIS,**  
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 9th August, 1910. [91]

**TO LET.**

**GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.**

Apply to—**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**  
Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [88]

**TO LET.**

**NEW and COMMODIOUS SHOPS,** 14, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Immediate Possession. Cheap Rentals.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [790]

**TO LET.**

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**HOUSES in Observatory Villages (5 Rooms),** Kowloon. Electric and Gas laid on, Tennis Court.

Apply to—**ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,**  
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Hongkong, 28th July, 1910. [875]

**TO LET.**

**No. 21, CONDUIIT ROAD,** Clifton Gardens.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [87]

**TO LET.**

**OFFICES, Hotel Mansions,** Alexandra Buildings.

Apply to—**HENRY HUMPHREYS,**  
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1910. [151]

**TO LET.**

**BOWEN ROAD, Western Block of DWELLING HOUSES,** at present occupied as Artillery Officer's Quarters. Suitable for Boarding House.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [781]

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Hongkong, 29th June, 1910. [782]

**TO LET.**

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Apply to—**DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, 8th March, 1910. [95]

**TO LET.**

**No. 2, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.**

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Hongkong, 4th July, 1910. [800]

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [89]

**TO LET.**

**OFFICES in Des Voeux Road, Central,** corner of Ice House Street.

Apply to—**Messrs. PERCY SMITH & FLEMING,**  
5, Queen's Road.  
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1910. [440]

**TO LET.**

**SELF-Contained FLATS, NATHAN ROAD,** Kowloon, with Gas, Electric Light and Telephone in each Flat.

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1910. [795]

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Hongkong, 19th July, 1910. [841]

**TO LET.**

**No. 1, OBSERVATORY VILLAS,** Kowloon. Furnished or Unfurnished.

Apply to—**ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,**  
14, Des Voeux Road, Central.  
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910. [363]

**TO LET.**

**AT THE PEAK.**

**THE FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE,** known as "Biston," situate on Plantation Road. For Particulars, apply to—**DENNIS & BOWLEY,**  
Hongkong, 9th August, 1910. [922]

**TO LET.**

**A HOUSE, in Knutsford Terrace.**

Apply to—**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**  
Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [325]

**TO LET.**

**No. 16, WINDHAM STREET.** From 1st September, 1910.

Apply to—**E. A. & C. F. DE CARVALHO,**  
14, Arbuthnot Road.  
Hongkong, 8th August, 1910. [913]

**TO LET.**

**No. 14, SEYMOUR TERRACE,** from 1st July.

Apply to—**COMPRADORE DEPT.,**  
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Hongkong, 7th June, 1910. [724]

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 Saturday, 13th August—Extra Meeting of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club, at Happy Valley, 3.30 p.m.  
 Monday, 15th August—Auction of Crown Land at Public Works Dept., 3 p.m.  
 Tuesday and Wednesday, 16th and 17th Aug.—Auction of Naval and Victualling Stores, at H.M. Naval Establishments, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 10 a.m.  
 Saturday, 20th August—Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, at City Hall, Noon.

### SHIPPING.

#### ARRIVALS.

**BOMBAY MARU**, Japanese str., 4,624, J. Tanaka, 8th August—Kobe via Moji 31st July, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.  
**CARDIGANSHIRE**, British str., 2,695, Tyers, 9th August—Hankow 3rd August, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
**COEVRIC**, British str., 3,255, L. J. Falls, 9th August—Nowchong 1st August, General—Asiatic Petroleum & Co.  
**DUNBAR**, British str., 2,357, Martin, 9th Aug.—Moji 3rd August, Coal—Shewan, Tomes & Co.  
**FOOCHOW**, British str., 1,226, Vincent, 8th August—Hankow 5th August, Coal—Butterfield & Swire.  
**HAIMUN**, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, 9th August—Swatow 8th August, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.  
**HANGCHOW**, British str., 929, R. Robertson, 8th August—Shanghai 1st August, Salt—Butterfield & Swire.  
**KLEIST**, German str., 5,122, O. Pahnke, 9th August—Yokohama 30th July, General—Melchers & Co.  
**NANCHANG**, British str., 9th August—Canton.  
**PERIA**, British str., 2,744, A. Lockett, 9th August—Guaymas, Mexico via Moji 5th August, General—Eng Hong S.S. Co.  
**YATSHING**, British str., 1,421, S. J. Payne, 9th Aug.—Bangkok 28th July and Kohichang 3rd August, Rice and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
**YU SHUN**, Chinese str., 9th August—Canton.

#### DEPARTURES.

**BOMBAY MARU**, Japanese str., for Singapore.  
**Chicago Maru**, Japanese str., for Tacoma.  
**Gregory Apar**, British str., for Singapore.  
**Haimun**, British str., for Swatow.  
**Hankow**, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.  
**Kleist**, German str., for Europe, etc.  
**Michael Cohen**, German str., for Hoihow.  
**Specia**, German str., for Shanghai.  
**ABRATON APCAR**, British str., for Shanghai.  
**CHOWANG**, British str., for Canton.  
**HAIMUN**, British str., for Swatow.  
**HENRIK ISEN**, Norwegian str., for Moji.  
**KIKIANG**, British str., for Amoy.  
**MEFOO**, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
**PHANANG**, German str., for Bangkok.  
**SHANGHAI**, Chinese str., for Canton.  
**TAMING**, British str., for Manila.  
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 Hongkong, 6th August, 1910. [1]

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LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP...	CARDIGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	W. O. Tyers	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	To-day.
LONDON, HULL & ANTWERP	CARDIGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Daniels	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	About 20th inst.
LONDON, &c., via USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	H. Powell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	SAMNIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Müller	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th Sept.
COPENHAGEN & ST. PETERSBURG	INDIAN	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co	End of Aug.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	v. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 13th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	SPESIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Faas	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th Sept.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	POLYNESIAN	Frans. str.	—	Bruno	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 16th inst., at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	ATSUBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Matheson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Bahle	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SALONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	T. Murri	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 31st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MITAZAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	O. Pahnke	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th Sept., at D'light
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERA, GIBRALTAR, &c.	KLEIST	Ger. str.	—	E. Radonich	MELCHERS & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	SILBIA	Aus. str.	—	—	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 27th inst., p.m.
NEW YORK	BRASMA	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., LD.	About 26th inst.
NEW YORK	ALBENGA	Ital. str.	k. w.	Lorenzen	CARLOWITZ & Co.	About 17th inst.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	LENNOX	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., LTD.	About 3rd Sept.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTAGLE	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 16th inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., VANCOUVER, TACOMA, &c.	REDBILL	Brit. str.	—	H. E. Dowall	DODWELL & Co., LTD.	On 23rd inst.
VANCOUVER (DIRECT)	REDBILL	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 23rd inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 27th inst., at 6 p.m.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA KEELUNG, &c.	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Ishikawa	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th Sept., at 4 p.m.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA KEELUNG, &c.	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th inst., at 4 p.m.
TACOMA VIA KEELUNG & JAPAN	CHICAGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	I. Goto	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
CALLAO IQUIQUE, &c., via JAPAN PORTS, &c.	KITO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	F. Isoko	MELCHERS & Co.	On 13th inst., at 5 p.m.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst., at 4 p.m.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Winckler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th Sept., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Sekine	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KITANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. E. Cope	MELCHERS & Co	About 23rd inst.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	D. Lund	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Sekino	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst., at Noon.
JAPAN	TILATAP	Dut. str.	—	Zwart	JAPA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & NEWCHANG	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Kennie	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 p.m.
CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	KILBIE	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Forsyth	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th inst., at 4 p.m.
TIENTSIN	CHONGSHING	Brit. str.	—	V. McClymont-Liddell	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	On 16th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI VIA NINGPO	ESANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	GOEBEN	Ger. str.	—	G. Bolte	MELCHERS & Co.	About 10th inst.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	CHOSHUN MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Searge	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	CHOWANG	Brit. str.	—	M. Courtney	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHINEUA	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. Harris	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 11th inst.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PERA	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Cooke, R.N.N.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 12th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SPESIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 15th inst., p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	VILLE DE LA CIOTAT	Frans. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	TOSA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Nomura	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 18th inst.
SHANGHAI	AKAGIA	Brit. str.	—	S. Barham	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	FOOKANG	Brit. str.	k. w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 26th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ALBENGA	Ger. str.	—	—	JAPA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	TILUWONG	Dut. str.	—	A. Pandes	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at 10 a.m.
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SOSU MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Murayama	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	To-day, at 10 a.m.
TAMUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIGI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co	On 12th inst., at 10 a.m.
SWATOW	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. H. Stewart	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	On 16th inst., at 10 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIYANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. E. Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	On 19th inst., at 10 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAICHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	W. C. Passmore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 6 p.m.
SAIGON	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	J. W. Evans	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	On 12th inst., at 4 p.m.
MANILA	YUENANG	Brit. str.	—	Richards	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	BURI	Brit. str.	—	F. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	S. J. Payne	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	On 20th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	ZAFUO	Brit. str.	—	A. Frazer	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 12th inst., at Noon.
CEBU	CHILUK	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Warrack	MELCHERS & Co.	End of Aug.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	F. Semblil	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	BINGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. J. G. Parsons	DAVID SASSON & Co., LTD.	To-day, at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	S. H. Belcon	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., LD.	On 20th inst., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTANG	Brit. str.	—	Bradley	JAPA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	TRIMANI	Dut. str.	—	Bouman		

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FOR	STEAMERS	TONS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	"KLEIST" Capt. O. PARNKE	17,000	Wedday, 10th Aug., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"GOEBEN," Capt. G. BOLTE	17,300	About 10th Aug.
MANILA, YAP, FRIED, RICH, WILHELMSHAFEN, RABAU, SAMARAI, BRIS, BANE AND SYDNEY	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. F. ISEKE	6,100	Saturday, 13th Aug., at 5 p.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND," Capt. D. LENZ	6,000	About 23rd August.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMMILL	5,050	End of August.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"V. DE LA CIOTAT" Capt. X	On 15th Aug., p.m.
MARSEILLES via PORTS	"POLYNESIAN" Capt. Bruno	On 16th Aug., 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TOURANE" Capt. Lancelin	On 29th Aug., p.m.
MARSEILLES via PORTS	"AUSTRALIEN" Capt. Monton	On 30th Aug., 1 p.m.

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**THE Steamship**  
**"GREGORY APCAR,"**  
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 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
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 Agents.  
 Hongkong, 6th August, 1910. [908]

**"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.**  
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 Captain W. O. Tyers, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 10th August.  
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**THE Steamship**  
**"ISCHIA,"**  
 Captain Belsom, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 12th inst., at 3 p.m.  
 For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to  
**CARLOWITZ & Co.,**  
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 Hongkong, 1st August, 1910. [4]

FOR NEW YORK.  
 (With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast).

**THE Steamship**  
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 Captain Lorenzen, will be despatched to the above Port, on or about the 17th August.  
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 Hongkong, 26th July, 1910. [862]

**REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE**  
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 S.S. "BRAEMAR" ... About 26th August.  
 FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.  
 S.S. "LENNOX" ... About 3rd Sept.  
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 Hongkong, 10th August, 1910. [901]



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### POST OFFICE NOTICE

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN Route to EUROPE.

The *Gecken*, with the German mail of the 13th ult., left Singapore on Friday, the 5th inst., at 8 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.  
The *Ville de la Clotat*, with the French mail of the 15th July, left Singapore on Sunday, the 7th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 14th inst., p.m.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haifong	Michael Jensen	Wednesday, 10th, 8.00 A.M.
Hoihow and Bangkok	Hakard	Wednesday, 10th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Haimun	Wednesday, 10th, 9.00 A.M.
Keelung, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Tacoma	Chicago Maru	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Gregory Apear	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Spezia	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tutuorin		Printed Matter and Samples
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra)		Registration, 10.00 A.M.
Postage 10 cents		(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
		Registration, Kowloon B.O., 10.00 A.M.
		No late fee.
		Letters, 11.00 A.M.
		Wednesday, 10th, 1.15 P.M.
		Wednesday, 10th, 2.00 P.M.
		Wednesday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
		Wednesday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
		Wednesday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
		Thursday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
		Thursday, 11th, 11.00 A.M.
		Thursday, 11th, 1.15 P.M.
		Thursday, 11th, 3.00 P.M.
		Thursday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
		Friday, 12th, 9.00 A.M.
		Friday, 12th, 11.00 A.M.
		Friday, 12th, 1.00 P.M.
		Friday, 12th, 1.15 P.M.

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Whiting or Lime should be washed off the walls or ceiling before applying the Distemper. Wall papers may be painted without removing them, if the pattern is not too prominent and if the paper contains no gold, but two coats will usually be required.

When walls are very porous or rough, causing too much or unequal suction, we recommend a coat of size before using the Distemper, as it prevents suction, and the Distemper, when dry, is more washable than it otherwise would be. For very damp walls give a first coat of "SISCO" Damp Resister, also apply this to all damp patches and to places where the lime or salt is working through the plaster.

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Hongkong, 31st July, 1907 [546]

### VESSELS EXPECTED.

**THE GERMAN MAIL.**  
The I.G.M. str. *Gecken*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 13th ult., left Singapore on the 5th inst., at 8 p.m., and may be expected here to-day at 10 p.m.

**THE FRENCH MAIL.**  
The M.M. str. *Ville de la Clotat*, with the French Mail of the 17th ultimo, and mails from London of the 16th ultimo, left Singapore on the 7th inst., at 5 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on Monday morning, the 15th inst.

**THE INDIAN MAIL.**  
The Indo-China str. *Epikong* left Calcutta for the Straits and Hongkong on the 30th ult., and is due here on or about the 15th inst.

**THE CANADIAN MAIL.**  
The C.P.R. Co.'s str. *Empress of China* left Vancouver on the 27th ultimo p.m. for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

**THE AMERICAN MAIL.**  
The T.K.K. str. *Chiyo Maru*, from San Francisco, will leave Yokohama en route to Hongkong on the 8th inst., and will arrive on the 19th inst.

The P.M. str. *Asia* sailed from San Francisco on the 26th ult. for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, and is due to arrive at this port on the 23rd inst.

**MERCHANT STRAMERS.**  
The H.A. Line str. *Sejoria* left Shanghai on the 6th inst., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The P. & O. S.N. Co.'s str. *Pera* left Singapore for this port on the 5th inst., at 10 a.m., and is due here to-day at about 9 a.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Prins Waldemar* left Kobe on the 7th inst., at 3 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 13th inst.

The Mogul Line str. *Lothian* left United Kingdom on the 10th ultimo for Hongkong via Straits.

The T.K.K. str. *Kijo Maru* from South American and Mexican ports, arrived at Yokohama on the 25th ultimo, and is due to arrive here on or about the 16th inst.

The Bank Line Ltd.'s str. *Swerte* left Vancouver, B.C., on the 3rd inst., and is due at Yokohama on the 23rd inst.

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### SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, AUGUST 9TH, 1910.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
<b>BANKS.</b>				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$950, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	47	26	\$76, buyers
China Bank of Commerce, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$8, sellers
Bank of Communications, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$94, sellers
China Bank of Commerce, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$1.40, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$8, buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>				
Yew Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sales
International Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 574.
Laon-Kung-Mow C. Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 70.
Boy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 240.
<b>DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED</b>	40,000	\$74	\$6	\$192, sales
<b>DOCK AND WHARVES.</b>				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$54, sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$50, sales
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$63	\$63	\$9, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 77.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 118.
<b>LEWIS &amp; CO., LIMITED</b>	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$10, sellers
<b>GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED</b>	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$63, sellers
<b>HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LIMITED</b>	7,000	\$10	all	\$205.
<b>HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED</b>	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$20, sales
<b>HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED</b>	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$104, sellers
<b>HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED</b>	8,000	\$25	\$25	\$82, sellers
<b>HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED</b>	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$135, buyers
<b>INSURANCES.</b>				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$170.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$112, sal. & sel.
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$83.33	\$872.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$250	\$350, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$15	Tls. 115, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$850, sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$200, buyers
<b>LANDS AND BUILDINGS.</b>				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$984, sal. sales
Hongkong Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$84, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$30	\$30	\$32, sales
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 112.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$39, sal. buyers
<b>MINING.</b>				
Societe Francaise des Charbonnages de Tonkin	16,000	Eos. 250	all	\$700, buyers
Banks Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$74, buyers
<b>PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED</b>	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$14, sellers
<b>PHILIPPINE CO., LIMITED</b>	75,000	\$10	\$10	\$14, buyers
<b>REFINERIES.</b>				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$167.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$26, sellers
<b>ROBINSON FINE CO., LIMITED</b>	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
<b>STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.</b>				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$28, sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$32, sales
Iado-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	65, sel. \$26.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	\$1	94.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$24, sellers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$13, sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$26.
<b>STORES AND DISPENSARIES.</b>				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$10.
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$24, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$3.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$7, sales
Wellsman, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$113, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	\$10	\$300.
United Waterboat Co., Limited	100 fiders	\$10	\$10	\$74, buyers
<b>RUBBERS.</b>				
Allagars				5/6
Anglo-Malaya				24/
Balgovias				\$17 (Sta.)
Batu Tigas				100/
Bukit Kajangs				63/6
Cardfields, fully paid				120/
Chavies				20/- prem.
Eastern and International				112/6
Highlands and Lowlands				6/- prem.
Kanunings				
Kuala Lumpur				
Labus				
Ledbury's				80/-
Linggis				54/6
London Anatics				12/6
London Ventures				6/
Merleuans				7/6
Pegohs				\$38 (Sta.)
Sapongs				34/-
Shafordis				72/6
Singapore and Johores				\$16 (Sta.)
Sungai Kapars				14/6
United Serdangs				115/

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### COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

August 9th.

ON LONDON:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	194 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	224 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	194 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	194 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	194 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	194 1/2
ON PARIS:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	224 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	224 1/2
ON GERMANY:—	
On demand	182
ON NEW YORK:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	44 1/2
Credit, at 60 days' sight	44 1/2
ON HONKAI:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	133 1/2
Bank, on demand	133 1/2
ON CALCUTTA:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	133 1/2
Bank, on demand	133 1/2
ON SHANGHAI:—	
Bank, at sight	74 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	75 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA:—	
On demand	57 1/2
ON MANILA:—	
On demand—Pesos	57 1/2
ON SINGAPORE:—	
On demand	76
ON BATAVIA:—	
On demand	106 1/2
ON HAIPHONG:—	
On demand	24 1/2 p.m.
ON SAIGON:—	
On demand	57 1/2
ON BANGKOK:—	
On demand	57 1/2
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.20
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$58.60
SILVER, per oz.	24 1/2

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Chinese	10	\$6.65
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Hongkong	10	\$6.00



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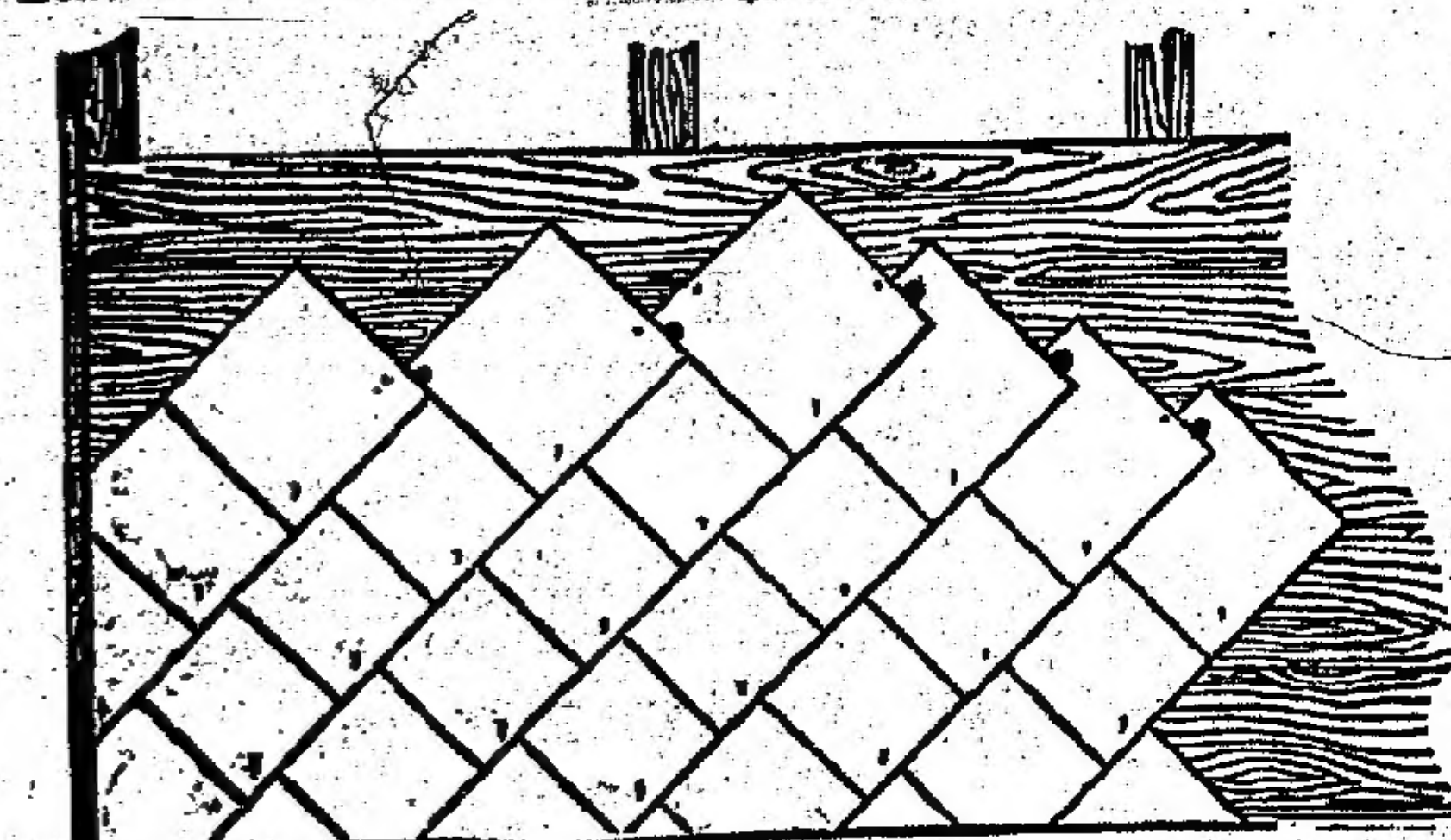
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### OPIMUM.

Quotations are:—	August 6th.	SHIPPING REPORTS.
Malwa New	\$1,903/1,950 per picul	The British str. <i>Haimun</i> reports: Moderate southerly winds, sky cloudy with passing rain showers.
Malwa Old	\$1,960/2,000 "	The British str. <i>Persia</i> reports: Moderate to light variable winds and fine weather to Moji and Hongkong.
Malwa Older	\$2,010/2,050 "	
Malwa V. Old	\$2,060/2,100 "	
Persian fine quality	\$1,400/1,500 "	
Persian extra fine	\$2,100 "	
Patna New	\$1,800 "	
Patna Old	\$1,750 "	
Benares New	\$1,740 "	
Benares Old	\$1,740 "	

### VESSELS IN DOCK.

August 9th.  
KOWLOON DOCK.—*Huangho, Gloria, Paul, Ben, Chunyang, H.M.S. Taku, San Juan.*  
TAIKOO DOCK.—*Union, Simongan, Sammen, Manchuria.*

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